REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Inoculation of Cattle.

READ—

Correspondence ending with letter No. R. O. C. 680-A., dated the 11th November 1922, from the Director of Agriculture in Mysore representing that the provision of Rs. 20,000 made for the current year in the Budget of the Civil Veterinary Department for the purchase of serum is inadequate and requesting sanction to an additional grant of Rs. 30,000 for the purchase of serum or in the alternative to the levy of a fee of eight annas per head of cattle inoculated.

2. Correspondence ending with letter No. 894, dated the 18th November 1922, from the Secretary to the Board of Agriculture submitting extracts from the proceedings of the Agricultural Board and the Economic Development Board which met on the 16th October and 4th November 1922, respectively, in the matter of levying a fee on each head of cattle inoculated.

3. Government Order No. L. 4153-4—A. & E. 7-22-8, dated the 2—8th December 1922, sanctioning an additional grant of Rs. 15,000 for the purchase of serum in view of the urgent necessity for the inoculation of cattle and sheep.

ORDER No. L. 6148-50—A. & E. 7-22-11, DATED 6—10TH MARCH 1923.

The expenditure on account of serum required for the inoculation of cattle has been rapidly on the increase in recent years, owing partly to the prevalence of cattle diseases in the State and partly to the rise in the price of serum, the amount allotted for the purpose being Rs. 29,175 in 1920-21 and Rs. 63,500 in 1921-22. The question of devising measures for meeting this increasing expenditure has engaged the consideration of Government for some time past. On account of the existing financial stringency, Government do not find it practicable to make provision for the entire amount that is from time to time required for the above purpose. They have therefore seriously considered the desirability of recouping a portion of the cost by the levy of a fee for each head of cattle inoculated. The Director of Agriculture recommends the levy of a fee of eight annas for each head of cattle inoculated as against ten to twelve annas for each dose of serum required. The question was discussed in the Board of Agriculture, who while agreeing to the proposal to levy the fees, have suggested that the rate be reduced to six annas. After a careful consideration, Government agree with the Board of Agriculture and are pleased to order the levy of a fee of six annas for each head of cattle or sheep inoculated.

T. E. JEYARAMA AIYAR,
Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department.

District and Taluk Conferences Report.

READ—

The following communications submitting reports on the District and Taluk Conferences held in the districts in the year 1921-22 :—

(1) Letter No. D2. Dis. 2062—Gl. 21-22, dated 7th April 1922, from the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore, submitting the report received from the Deputy Commissioner, Kadur District.

(2) Letter No. D2. Dis. 442—L. B. 21-22, dated 28th April 1922, from the President, District Conference, Mysore.

(3) Letter No. C. 156—Gl. 21-22, dated 25th May 1922, from the Deputy Commissioner and the President, District Board, Hassan.

(4) Letter No. E. C. 132—21-22, dated 29th June 1922, from the Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District.

(5) Letter No. D2. Dis.—L. B. 22-23, dated 1st July 1922, from the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga District.

(6) Letter No. D2. Dis. 2—22-23, dated 2nd August 1922, from the Deputy Commissioner and President, District Board, Bangalore.

(7) Letter No. D. B. 111, dated 29th August 1922, from the President, District Board, Kolar.

(8) Letter No. E. C. 58—22-23, dated 8th October 1922, from the President, District Board, Tumkur.